

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

PASTOR ISABEL VELA,
Plaintiff,
v.
TULARE COUNTY DISTRICT
ATTORNEY.,
Defendants.

Case No. 1:23-cv-01709-NODJ-BAM

**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S
APPLICATION TO PROCEED WITHOUT
PREPAYMENT OF FEES OR COSTS**

(Doc. 4)

Plaintiff Pastor Isabel Vela ("Plaintiff"), proceeding *pro se*, filed this action on December 12, 2023. (Doc. 1.) Plaintiff did not pay the filing fee in this action and instead filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915. (Doc. 2.) The Court subsequently ordered Plaintiff to complete another application to proceed *in forma pauperis* given deficiencies in the initial application. (Doc. 3.) On December 22, 2023, Plaintiff filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. (Doc. 7.) Plaintiff has made the showing required by section 1915(a), and accordingly, the request to proceed *in forma pauperis* will be granted. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a).

Plaintiff is advised that the Court is required to screen complaints of *pro se* litigants proceeding *in forma pauperis* pursuant to Title 28 of the United States Code section 1915(e)(2).

1 The Court must dismiss a complaint or portion thereof if the action is legally “frivolous or
2 malicious,” fails to state a claim upon which relief may be granted, or seeks monetary relief
3 against a defendant who is immune from such relief. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B). As a result, no
4 summons will issue at this time. The Court will direct the United States Marshal to serve
5 Plaintiff’s complaint only after the Court has screened the complaint and determined that it
6 contains cognizable claims for relief against the named defendant. The Court will screen
7 Plaintiff’s complaint in due course.

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9 IT IS SO ORDERED.

10 Dated: March 4, 2024

/s/ Barbara A. McAuliffe
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE